

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 412

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Jane Jenkins on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Jane Jenkins has served with distinction for more than two and one-half decades as an employee of Blount County; and

WHEREAS, after twenty-six years of working for the government of Blount County, Mrs. Jenkins is taking a much-deserved retirement, bringing to a close an exemplary term of service; and

WHEREAS, an Alcoa native, Jane Jenkins graduated from Pellissippi State Community College in 1981, thereafter beginning her career as a mainframe programmer working for businesses in and around Blount County; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, she came on board with Blount County as a systems administrator for the Data Processing Department; throughout her career, she has taken on increasingly complex responsibilities, her most recent being leading Blount County's charge to modernize its IT infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, with a small department of only five employees, Mrs. Jenkins migrated the county's old financial system to a new one, a daunting task involving more than 100 stakeholders in addition to many vendors and consultants; while completing the project, her knowledge of decades-old, undocumented processes and understanding of the user community were on keen display; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many successes, Mrs. Jenkins has enjoyed the love and support of her husband, Mike; daughters, Amanda and Melanie; and grandchildren, Isla, Merritt, and Parker; and

WHEREAS, during her retirement, she plans to read, craft jewelry, and spend time boating and camping all over the southeast with her husband; and

WHEREAS, Jane Jenkins exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career with Blount County, she has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the sincere respect and admiration of her colleagues and a grateful public as well; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Jane Jenkins our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.